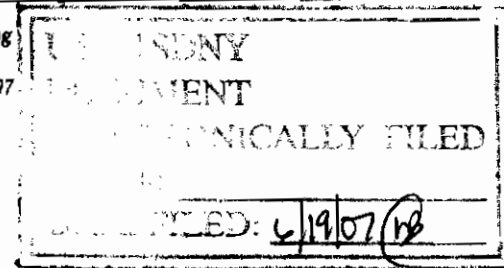


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Honorable Sidney H. Stein (By FAX)  
United States District Judge  
Southern District of New York  
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Re: United States v. Jerome Billings  
07 Cr. 521(SHS)

Dear Judge Stein:

The defendant, Mr. Jerome Billings, was arrested yesterday. After you referred the case to magistrate's court, Mr. Billings was presented and arraigned before Magistrate Judge Eaton. The Government respectfully requests that time be excluded, in the interests of justice, until the initial pre-trial conference scheduled for June 21, 2007, at 3:00 p.m., under the Speedy Trial Act, 18 U.S.C. §§ 3161 et seq.

*The time is excluded from today through 6/21/07. The Court finds that the ends of justice served by this continuance outweigh the best interests of the public and defendant in a speedy trial pursuant to 18 USC 3161(h)(3)*

Very truly yours,

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SO ORDERED 6/19/07  
  
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